for the poor is being implemented;

(b) the developmental activities being undertaken under the scheme in these cities of the States; and

(c) if answer to part (a) be in the negative, the reasons for discrimination against the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) Urban Basic Service for the Poor (UBSP), a Centrally sponsored Scheme was launched during 1990-91. It remained in operation upto 30.11.1997. Thereafter, this Scheme was subsumed in Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) w.e.f. 1.12.1997. UBSP was implemented in Bihar in 18 cities, viz Darbhanga, Munger, Gaya, Bhagalpur, Bihar Sharief, Arrah, Jamshedpur, Dhanbad, Chhapra, Bokaro, Simdega, Jamtara, Latchar, Kharsawan, Patna, Muzaffarpur, Ranchi and Katihar.

The objective of the Programme was to foster Neighbourhood Committees in slums for ensuring the effective participation of the slum dwellers in developmental activities. The State Government reported that 166 Neighbourhood Committees were constituted covering 3.30 lakhs urban poor beneficiaries in the State of Bihar under the UBSP Programme.

(c) Does not arise.

Large scale encroachment of DDA land in Chhoti Subzi Mandi, Janakpuri

3078. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been large scale encroachment of DDA land in Chhoti Subzi Mandi, Janakpuri, New Delhi;

(b) whether the Central Park in the Subzi Mandi has also been encroached by shopkeepers;

(c) whether any survey has been conducted in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.